

IN THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Claim 4 has been amended and claim 6 has been added as follows:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (original): A disk apparatus comprising a chassis outer sheath having a base body and a lid, in which a front surface of said chassis outer sheath is formed with a disk inserting opening into which a disk is directly inserted, a connector is disposed on a rear surface of said chassis outer sheath, a traverse is disposed on a side of said disk inserting opening, a printed board is disposed on a side of said connector, said traverse holds a spindle motor, a pickup and drive means which drives said pickup, said spindle motor is disposed on a central portion of said base body, a lever which is moved by inserting a disk is provided on the side of the rear surface of said base body, a rear base is provided at a location which is not superposed with said traverse and at a location covering said printed board, an operation pin is provided on a lower surface of said lever, a disk insertion detecting switch is disposed in the vicinity of a rear portion on said printed board, wherein the moving range of said operation pin is located closer to the rear surface than a turning fulcrum of said lever.

Claim 2 (original): The disk apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the moving range of said operation pin is a rear surface side end of said printed board.

Claim 3 (original): The disk apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said operation pin is disposed such that the moving range of said operation pin is substantially in parallel to said rear surface.

Claim 4 (currently amended): The disk apparatus according to claim 2 [[or 3]], wherein a motion hole of said operation pin is provided in a moving range of said operation pin on said printed board or a range wider than the moving range.

Claim 5 (original): The disk apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said disk insertion detecting switch is provided such that a switch lever is disposed close to the rear surface.

Claim 6 (new): The disk apparatus according to claim 3, wherein a motion hole of said operation pin is provided in a moving range of said operation pin on said printed board or a range wider than the moving range.